## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPROVAL OF THE RESALE	)
AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BY	)
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,	)
INC. AND EXPRESS PHONE SERVICE,	) CASE NO. 2000-076
INC. PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 251	)
AND 252 OF THE	)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996	)

## <u>ORDER</u>

On February 15, 2000, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Express Phone Service, Inc. ("Express Phone") submitted to the Commission their negotiated agreement for resale of BellSouth's services to end-users. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("1996 Act"), 47 U.S.C. Sections 251 and 252. Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act requires the parties to an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation to submit the agreement for approval to the Commission.

The Commission has reviewed the agreement and finds that no portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of this agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

Express Phone must comply with all relevant Commission mandates for serving in this Commonwealth.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS

that:

1. The negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Express Phone is

approved.

2. Express Phone shall file a tariff for local service prior to providing local

service giving 30 days' notice to the Commission and shall comply with all Commission

regulations and orders as directed.

3. Within 10 days of the date of this Order, BellSouth shall file with the

Commission a true and complete copy of the agreement approved herein in Microsoft®

Word 97 format on 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive/Director